

SOCIETY

QUITE a thrill of excitement ran through the lives of the pleasure-seekers of Washington last week on account of the presence here of a prince of the royal house of Japan, and the notable Germans who came to the unenviable ceremonies. For the prince, everything was so quiet as to seem decidedly dull, and one could scarcely picture a more doleful scene than his constantly sitting at table watching other guests, hearing their voices, and not being able to understand a word spoken or to be understood. Add to this his dislike of American foods, abstinence from meats of all kinds, and a few other traits natural to his countrymen, and you have a less cheerful picture than that presented by the visiting Germans. However, the prince was made welcome, and scores of people saw him who had never seen a live Japanese prince before.

With the notable visitors from Germany it has been different. Baron von Sternburg is a pastmaster of the art of arranging things, and with the aid of Baroness von Sternburg, who laid aside her mourning for official entertainment, made the embassy a brilliant place all the week. The dinner and reception last night closed a remarkably notable program, which did great credit to our own little American baroness, who arranges all the social functions for the embassy.

While only official society met Prince Fushimi, and then only the men, the reception at the German embassy was much more general, and gave a number of society people an opportunity to meet at that delightful diplomatic home.

President and Mrs. Roosevelt contributed their share of entertainment at a dinner Friday night, for which Mrs. Roosevelt returned from New York earlier in the day. General Chaffee will give a breakfast for the Germans today, and tomorrow a stag reception at his K Street residence. General Gillespie will also give a dinner in their honor.

New life is given the social world by the announcement for the reception at the White House to the Diplomatic Corps Wednesday, when society may be said to be firmly set on foot for the winter. It is not likely that Mrs. Roosevelt will arrange her social program for the winter, however, before going to St. Louis. There are said to be many changes of equal importance to society at large with that announced for the Cabinet dinners to the President and Mrs. Roosevelt, in store for the coming season. There is a likelihood of the musicales, instituted by Mrs. Roosevelt as a form of entertaining large parties of people, being abandoned for some other amusement. It is perfectly safe to predict that whatever the innovation may be, it will be received with joy by society, both official and otherwise, who have the same social sauce administered to them season by season.

While the ultra-fashionable set is waiting for some verdict from Mrs. Roosevelt as to the outlook for White House affairs, society at large is engaged in planning dinners, teas, and luncheons, bridge whist matinees, and evening receptions, until one's social calendar assumes quite a formidable aspect.

Miss Morton will be presented December 17, at a tea, from 4 to 7, when a perfect bevy of this year's debutantes will surround her. Before that time she will give a large luncheon for a number of her girl friends. Miss Gwendolyn Cummings, the attractive niece of the Third Assistant Secretary of State and Mrs. Peirce, will be the first debutante of the season presented, and will make her formal bow to society at a tea tomorrow afternoon.

Miss Alice Müller will be introduced at a tea the following day, and on Thanksgiving Day Miss Mary Southerland will debut at the same sort of an entertainment. It was the purpose of Miss Miller to have her coming-out Thanksgiving Day, but Miss Southerland's announcement for that date caused her to select an earlier day.

A number of luncheons for the buds, both before and after their coming-out, are announced, and with an early date for the popular dances of the winter, the buds will revel in entertainments.

Mrs. Taft's trip to Panama with the Secretary of War breaks up the Cabinet family again, and just when everyone was beginning to feel a little life and warmth in official life. All the other ladies of the Cabinet family are in Washington, and will spend Thanksgiving in divers ways.

The departure for the World's Fair Thanksgiving Day will give the President and Mrs. Roosevelt an opportunity for an early dinner with their family, and it is likely that a few additional guests will enjoy the meal with them, as on former Thanksgiving Days. Last year they had a few friends to dine, on the big Rhode Island turkey, and a merry dance followed the dinner. All of the children dine with the President and Mrs. Roosevelt, and the dinner is a particularly happy and informal affair.

Secretary of State and Mrs. Hay are likely to spend the day alone, with the exception of, perhaps, a very few intimates at dinner. It is the custom of Secretary and Mrs. Shaw to open their home and spread their table for several Iowa friends who happen to be in the city, and Secretary and Mrs. Hitchcock will extend the same form of hospitality. Miss Hitchcock, who is absent, will probably return for the day. The wives of other Cabinet members have the same informal plans for the day, and the foreign representatives—ambassadors and ministers—will have to dine with them all the members of their executive staffs.

Cabinet Circle

Mrs. Roosevelt was an attractive figure at the unveiling exercises yesterday, wearing a gown of cadet blue panne velvet and a toque to match, in fact, the same costume which attracted so much attention at the picture show in New York a few days ago. Baron von Sternburg, the German ambassador, who sat next to Mrs. Roosevelt, wore his uniform, which was of almost exactly the same color as Mrs. Roosevelt's gown. Baroness von Sternburg, who sat upon the other side of Mrs. Roosevelt, wore a black gown and hat of lavender.

A general overthrow of old customs maintained in official circles for a hundred years past will take place in Washington this season, the signal for the start having been given by a communication to Cabinet officers from the President, saying that at their annual dinners in honor of himself and Mrs. Roosevelt they were not expected to invite other Cabinet officers and their wives, but guests from society generally. Such a list must be submitted to the President and Mrs. Roosevelt for their approval.

The matter of precedence in giving the dinners for the President and Mrs. Roosevelt will not be observed as formally, and the Cabinet women will arrange the dates as best suits their convenience, only of course, submitting such dates to Mrs. Roosevelt for approval, or arranging the succession, in which the dinners are to be given and then asking Mrs. Roosevelt for a suitable date.

With nine secretaries in the President's Cabinet now, and each officer, with the exception of Attorney General Moody, with a wife, the number has quite outgrown the average Cabinet home, and admits of but one outside guest being invited.

The old custom also leaves President and Mrs. Roosevelt to enjoy ten dinners each season with exactly the same guests present, which in itself is quite monotonous. The subject has for some time presented various obstacles which will be overcome by the change, and but for the breaking of old social customs established by the first Presidents of the United States, the change is quite commendable.

Mr. Hansen, first secretary of the Russian embassy, and one of the most accomplished musicians in the city, will



MISS BEILA BATEMAN.

Miss Beila Bateman, daughter of the late Arthur Edgerton Bateman and Mrs. Bateman, who will be presented to society by her mother, at a tea Wednesday, November 20, is one of the prettiest girls in the younger set. With Miss Bateman's radiant complexion, is the most beautiful shade of brown hair and eyes, and as she affects brown as her favorite color for street wear, she presents a striking appearance.

Mrs. Bateman's return to society and the presentation of her attractive daughter from her home on Columbia Road brings her back to society under the most favorable circumstances possible.

week in Iowa, but each of the seven days bears just as many entertainments in her honor as is possible. Mrs. Coffey will give a luncheon for her guests December 6, and a large evening reception December 7, and another dinner on the 9th. Saturday, December 10, Mrs. West will give a dinner party followed by a reception, while numerous other dates have also been arranged. Miss Shaw will return to Washington in time to be at Miss Morton's debut tea December 17.

Baron Moncheur, the Belgian minister, and Baroness Moncheur leave the city today for New York and will attend the three days of opera. Mr. and Mrs. Walsh will remain in New York the last of the week and will attend and entertain guests during the opera season.

Mourning has removed from society for the season a number of its favorites, among them Mrs. Rixey, wife of the Surgeon General, who recently lost her mother, Mrs. Robert O'Reilly, wife of the Surgeon General.

Mrs. D. M. Colton, and her daughter, Mrs. McLain Martin, who are again occupying their home on Connecticut Avenue, had as guests at dinner Thursday evening, the ambassador to Germany and Mrs. Charlemagne Tower, who are visitors in the city.

Receptions

The dinner and reception at the German embassy last night, when the Ambassador and Baroness von Sternburg were again hosts for the noted German visitors who attended the unveiling ceremony, were brilliant events and formed a fitting close to their hospitality to the ambassador's countrymen.

The reception was attended by society people in general, official and otherwise, to the number of several hundred. The dinner was not so large, the guests besides Lieutenant General Lowenthal and Major von Schmettow being the American ambassadors to Germany and Mrs. Charlemagne Tower, General and Mrs. Chaffee, General and Mrs. Gillespie and their guests, General and Mrs. Frederick Grant, Mrs. Hobson, and the embassy staff.

A merry crowd gathered at the residence of Miss Jennie Graham, on Thirteenth Street, Thursday evening to meet her house guest, Miss Louise Bennett, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

After enjoying games the guests were invited to the dining room, where refreshments were served. The table was beautifully decorated with maidenhair ferns and chrysanthemums. Among those present were:

Miss Mabel Green, Miss Edythe Le Duke, Miss Louise Bennett, Miss Nellie Savage, Miss Edna Reed, Miss Bliss Edmonstone, of Rockville, Md.; Miss May Savage, and Miss Jennie Graham, Burton Green, Fred Schaeke, Frank Yoder, Michael Sweeney, Giles Milburn, of Cincinnati, Ohio; Albert Bogue, Lawrence

Green, Carl Moulbrey, Paul Shade, Will Watson, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Collin Lindsay, and Matthew Sweeney.

Weddings.

Brides will divide the honors of the week with the debutantes, and together with weddings and teas they will hold the attention of polite society almost to the exclusion of everyone else.

Another prominent Georgetown family will give away the daughter of the house this week, when on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, Archibald Greenlee, one of the old residents of the town, will escort his daughter, Miss Anne de Courcy Greenlee, to the altar to become the bride of William Thomas Wallace, paymaster, U. S. N.

Like the beautiful wedding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon last week, when their daughter, Miss Esther Gordon, became the bride of Mr. Minigerode, the wedding of Miss Greenlee will be a house affair, and an unusually

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MISS IDA WYNNE.

Miss Ida Wynne is the second daughter of the Postmaster General and Mrs. Robert Wynne, and though she will not be presented to society for at least two seasons yet, is the constant companion of her mother, and constantly much observed by society people. To a pretty face and delightfully refreshing girlish personality, little Miss Wynne adds a merry disposition, a gift of repartee, a fine sense of humor, and the kindest, most sympathetic disposition possible.

In addition to accompanying her mother for pure entertainment and pleasure whenever possible, this young girl also joins her in administering good cheer and substantial aid to many a home which would be dark without her.

lively aspect will be given by the presence of a troop of pretty little nieces and nephews of the bride-elect, embracing as its youngest member Miss Leonora Agnew Greenlee, three years old. Miss Greenlee will be escorted to the improvised altar by her father, and the Rev. Dr. Teunis S. Hamlin will officiate.

Miss Eleanor Wallace, sister of the bridegroom-elect, will be maid of honor; the bridesmaid, Margaret Agnew O'Leary, and the flower girl, Leonora Agnew Greenlee, both the nieces of the bride. Little Miss McLain, niece of the bridegroom, and Master Archibald Nelson O'Leary, nephew of the bride, will carry the ribbons forming the aisle through which the bridal party will pass.

Paymaster Wallace, who is exceedingly popular in society, will have as best man Richard Cameron Haldeman, of Harrisburg, Pa.

Another of Wednesday's brides is Miss Elizabeth Edson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Joy Edson, who will wed Frederick Eichelberger, formerly of Columbus, Ohio, but now of Washington, at the New Church, corner of Corcoran and Sixteenth Streets, at night.

Mr. Edson will escort his daughter to

the altar, and the Rev. Frank Sewall will officiate at the ceremony. Miss Edson will have as maid of honor Miss Elizabeth Donn, and as bridesmaids, Miss Katherine Reed, Miss Mary Wimer, Miss Anna Warner and Miss Elizabeth Sewall.

George Eichelberger, of Urbana, Ohio, will attend his brother as best man, and the ushers will be Frank Eichelberger and Robert Eichelberger, brothers of the bridegroom; Harry Meem, James Harbaugh, Evans Browne, and John Joy Edson, Jr. The reception which follows the wedding will only embrace the bridal party, members of the family and a few intimate friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Denny have issued cards for the marriage reception of their eldest daughter, Helen Cooke, and William Hopkins Franklin, of Providence, R. I., to take place on Tuesday evening, November 22, at their home, 1637 R Street northwest.

The Rev. Edward M. Mott will perform the wedding ceremony, which will be attended by only the relatives of the contracting parties. John Arnold Franklin, of Providence, will be the best man, and Miss Virginia Denny will be her sister's maid of honor. Misses Helen and Marie Denny, of Philadelphia, will act as flower girls.

A number of out-of-town guests are expected to be present.

Miss Constance Draper, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Amos G. Draper, will be married to Jay Cooke Howard, Wednesday evening at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Daniel Ford Merrill.

The recent serious illness of Mrs. Draper, who is always prominent in District charitable and patriotic work, renders it necessary to have the wedding very quiet, and only members of the family will be present. Mr. Howard will take his bride to Minnesota, and after January 1 will be at home in Duluth.

Saturday Miss Mary Nell Rucker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin L. Rucker, and William Scott Macgill will be married at the home of the bride, 129 Sixth Street northwest.

Wednesday, November 23, is the wedding day of Miss Daisy A. Lucas and David A. Roger, who will be married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James J. Lucas, 2342 Twelfth Street northwest.

Miss Lucy Catherine Oyster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Oyster, is also a Wednesday bride, and will be married to George Harner Ward. The wedding will take place at the Foundry M. E. Church at 8 o'clock.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. McDonald, 135 E Street southeast, was the scene of a very pretty home wedding last Tuesday evening, the contracting parties being their sister, Annie, and Elmer Avery, of Langdon.

The bride wore a gown of white mousseline, and carried white chrysanthemums.

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"Odd Things Not Found Elsewhere."

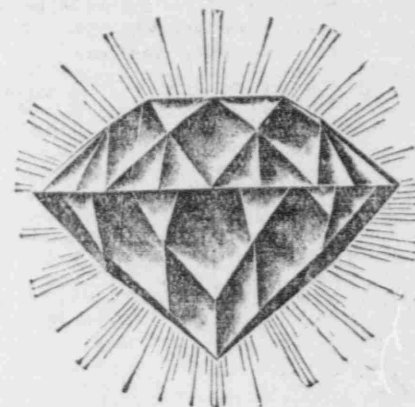
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